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Two Teens Charged with Fatally Beating Homeless Man

A 16-year-old male and a 19-year-old male were charged today with the attempted robbery and fatal beating of a homeless man at Rancho La Cienega Park in November, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Tyshaun Vasquez (dob 10/27/95) and Jordan English (dob 3/02/98) are scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center, Department 30, in case BA432561. Prosecutors will ask that each defendant be held without bail.

They are charged with one count each of capital murder with the special circumstance of murder during an attempted robbery, and one count of attempted robbery.

Prosecutors said the pair are charged with the Nov. 30 fatal beating of Eddie Ray Smith Jr. The body of the 43-year-old was found in the park located at 5001 Rodeo Road in the Baldwin Hills/Crenshaw area.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department's South Bureau Homicide Division.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.